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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE -- KIM DAE JUNG TRIAL

1. FOLLOWING GUIDANCE PREPARED MAY 4 FOR DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN. QUOTE
QUESTION: DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THE TRIAL OF KIM DAE JUNG AND SEVENTEEN OTHER PROMINENT CRITICS OF THE PARK GOVERNMENT?

ANSWER: OUR POSITION ON HUMAN RIGHTS HAS BEEN MADE CLEAR BY THE SECRETARY ON MANY OCCASIONS. IN MARCH, BEFORE THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, HE SAID WE ARE NOT VERY HAPPY WITH SOME RECENT EVENTS IN SOUTH KOREA AND WE ARE MAKING THAT CLEAR. THIS VIEW WAS REITERATED LAST MONTH BEFORE THE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE. I HAVE NOTHING TO ADD TO HIS COMMENTS. END QUOTE

2. THERE WERE NO QUESTIONS ON KOREA AT MAY 4 NOON [illegible]. SISCO

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